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THEY LYNCHED THEM.

Tramps Strung Up for the Murder of a Brakeman.

A WELLS-FARGO AGENT MISSING.

A Fatal Railroad Accident in Pennsylvania—Miss Willard's Defense of Kean & Co.

PORTLAND, December 23.—An Oregonian special from Walla Walla, Washington, says: A rumor has reached here that three tramps have been lynched near Huntington, Oregon, on the Oregon Short Line, by railroad men. Four tramps boarded a freight train near Glenn's Ferry, Idaho. They were put off by a brakeman, but afterwards the brakeman, whom they threw under the train. Both of his legs were broken, and he died from the injuries. The report says that the tramps were caught near Huntington and three of them lynched, the fourth escaping.

THE LATE KEAN & CO.

Leave a Friend in Miss Willard, President N. W. C. T.

CINCINNATI, December 23.—A remarkable letter will be published here to-morrow from Frances E. Willard, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, regarding the circumstances attending to the disastrous fire at the home of the late contractor of St. Louis, Mr. Kean. Miss Willard comes with a defendence of Mr. Kean, regarding his thirty years of clean life and helpful service in Chicago home missionary work. She expresses a deep regret that Kean has not found a public defender in some minister of the gospel, and she intimates that in view of his having been a leading prohibitionist, a hatred of an organized temperance cause is back of his prosecution. She says the financial losses of the temperance organization are small, but that the press of the country has given it a wide circulation, and that it has been given to undiscerning people calamity has overtaken the whole business world.

"Possibly the wish is father to the thought. There is joy in heaven over one sinner that repents—there is doubtless joy in hell over one saint that falls. Beyond peradventure there is rejoicing in every grog-shop of the city when the temperance cause or any of its advocates is overtaken by misfortune, seeming or real."

AFFIRMED DECISION
Percy Douglass Will Have to Serve His Time.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 23.—In the case of the People versus Percy Douglass, appealed from Fresno county, the Supreme court to-day affirmed the decision of the lower court. The defendant was attempting to beat his way on a passenger train, and when approached by the brakeman he shot him in the wrist, for which he was convicted of assault to commit murder and sentenced to eight years imprisonment. His counsel contended that the presumption was that the defendant was a passenger, and had a right on the platform, but the court held that such a presumption was overcome by the actions of defendant and the fact that he was riding between the baggage cars.

SKIPPED OUT.

The Porterville Wells-Fargo Agent Short in His Amounts.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 23.—Wells-Fargo & Co.'s officials have discovered that J. C. Scott, special agent of the company at Porterville, has left that place, being short in his accounts about \$2,000. The company became aware of the shortage some time ago, but Scott promised to refund the money. However, he left Porterville last Sunday and drove to Tulare, where it is believed he took the north-bound train. His partner and his relatives have made good the deficiency.

A THREATENED REBELLION.

People of Newfoundland Against the Treaty With France.

HALIFAX, N. S., December 23.—Papers from Newfoundland represent the people of that island as being in a terrible state of indignation over the official announcement that the modus vivendi between England and France is to be extended another year, and that England undertakes to effect a settlement with or without the assent of the Newfoundland parliament. The papers threaten rebellion and annexation to the United States.

FATAL WRECK.

Twenty-four Passengers Killed and Wounded.

BRADFORD, Pa., December 23.—A passenger train on the Western New York and Pennsylvania railroad jumped the track at Watsonville, sixteen miles north of this city to-day, and twenty-four of thirty-eight passengers were hurt. Of this number two were fatally injured and the others suffered severe contusions and fractured limbs. The wreck was caused by spreading rails.

FATAL EPIDEMIC.

People Fleeing From the Infected Town.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, December 23.—Some disease, supposed to be meningitis, is proving very fatal at Fairfield. The first case developed a week ago to-day. Ten deaths have occurred from the disease and ten more are supposed to be dying. Several new cases have developed. Medical aid seems to be of no avail. People are fleeing from the town.

FATAL COLLISION.

Causes the Loss of Twenty-three British Sailors.

PERUANNUO, December 23.—The British ship Talookar from Calcutta to London, sank in collision with another vessel. The captain and twenty-two of the crew were drowned.

ADMIRAL KIMBERLEY'S Mother Dead.

CHICAGO, December 23.—Mrs. Maria T. Kimberley, mother of Admiral Kimberley, died to-day, aged 81 years. Mrs. Kimberley and husband came to Chicago when there were but 100 people here.

Laying of Corner Stone.

SACRAMENTO, December 23.—Special trains from Sacramento, Stockton and other points brought Governor Waterman, the prison directors, the grand lodge of Masons and a number of guests to-day to witness the laying of the corner stone of the Preston school of industry, and re-

form school, which took place about a quarter of a mile from town.

After the procession arrived at the residence of the day, Hon. R. T. Devlin, introduced Grand Master A. R. Conklin, who delivered an address, addresses were also made by Governor Waterman, Marcus D. Baruck and E. M. Preston, after which the visitors returned to town where a banquet was given. The visitors left for home this afternoon.

IDEAL WORKMEN.

PORTLAND, Oreg., has More Laborers Than Labor.

PORTLAND, Oreg., December 23.—About one hundred laborers called at the police station to-day and stated that they were ex-employees on the Union Pacific Sound extension, and that on account of failure to get their money, which will not be paid for some time to come, they are absolutely destitute. Nearly all of them came from the east to work on the road, and claim they were assured their work would be permanent. The spokesman said they had been at Contractor J. H. Smith's office and demanded their pay. Their money for the last month will not be allowed them until the 20th of this month, and this will be withheld until January 23rd. They say Smith told them he would give them 15 per cent, and that they could get the notes discounted by a broker, but they refused the terms. At the present time no less than 300 idle men, just discharged from the Sound extension, are in this city, and nearly all of them are destitute.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

GOVERNOR-ELECT MARKHAM'S STAFF OFFICERS.

A CRUCIS OF THE NEW BOARD OF RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS.—The Secretary Re-elected.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 23.—Governor-elect Martham has made the following staff appointments, each with the rank of colonel: Dan M. Burns, Inspector-general of railroads; George A. Knight, judge advocate general; Frank W. Summer, paymaster-general; Dr. W. R. Wright of Sacramento, chief engineer; Dr. W. G. of San Francisco, surgeon general. A census of the board of railroad commissioners was recently held and James V. Kelley was elected chairman and Charles Eldred, halfit. Both are incumbents.

Alaska de-camp, F. S. Chadbourn of San Francisco, Frank McLaughlin of Oroville, H. H. McCloskey of Merced, John Young of Healdsburg, Reed Jones of Oakland, R. D. Ladlow in San Francisco, A. G. Gason of San Diego, W. Teal of Los Angeles.

PARNELL DEFEATED.

HENNESSY, the McCarthyite, Defeated by a Large Vote.

KILKENNY, December 23.—The official result of the election yesterday to fill the vacancy in the house of commons shows that Hennessy, the nominee of the anti-Parnellites, is elected. Hennessy's majority is 116.

There was little or no excitement here this morning. Messrs. Parnell, Harrington, Scully, Cleeney and Healy were at the courthouse at an early hour awaiting the actual returns of the election.

Immediately after the sheriff officially announced the result of the polling, the Parnellites openly moved in a body to the front of the courthouse and then with cheer boasted Parnell upon their shoulders. Parnell was upon the point of making a speech, when Tidwell and Maurice Healy appeared. Trouble immediately ensued. Finally Parnell, in order to prevent what seemed likely to be a disgraceful row, asked the police to induce the Healy's to withdraw. The police promptly acted on Parcell's suggestion, and the Healy's were prevailed upon to depart. Parnell resumed his speech.

MARBLE QUARRIES.

A Valuable Discovery Made Near Reno, Nevada.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 23.—Information has been received by the land department of the Southern Pacific company that a very valuable deposit of marble has been discovered along the railroad a few miles from Reno, Nevada. A cliff was encountered which showed a perpendicular frontage of 200 feet of marble, which is there 150 wide. The ledge is traceable for several miles, and runs through government lands as well as that of the railroad. The marble is of three kinds, one being pure white, another mottled, or striped, and the third colored. The latter, from a superficial examination, seems possibly coxys. In quantity, the deposit seems practically inexhaustible, while in quality it is said to be very fine. Not far from this ledge another has been discovered, which is thought to be black marble.

A BIG COMPANY.

The Bear Valley Irrigation Company Capital Four Millions.

SAN BERNARDINO, December 23.—The Bear Valley Irrigation Company has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$4,000,000, \$1,000,000 of which is preferred stock and \$3,000,000 common stock. This company buys out the Bear Valley interests, also the Alvarado and a tract of 210,000 acres, which is to be irrigated by the Bear Valley reservoir.

JUDGE HENRY B. BROWN.

Appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—The President to-day sent to the senate the following nominations: Henry B. Brown of Michigan, associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, vice Sam'l F. Miller, deceased; Colonel Charles Seward, surgeon general, and Dr. Oliver J. Howard.

The latter declined himself to be an avowed uncompromising free trader, altho even to a single tax man, a Democrat of Democratic. His warranty eulogized Mr. Cleveland, and declared that as sure as he lives Cleveland will be the next President of the American republic. A massive silver cup was presented to Cleveland, said to be one of a set made for Jefferson, on behalf of his admirers of the thirteenth original states.

RAILROAD SCHEME DECIDED.

The Boston & Maine Railway Dabbling in Politics.

CONCORD, N. H., December 21.—The Monitor to-night contains a leader undertaken to be from the pen of United States Senator Chandler, charging in substance that the Boston & Maine is trying to control the railroad.

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The judicious advertiser is polling the Christmas trade.

The man who has no faith in the Christian religion must feel somewhat lonesome in this Christmas time.

WHEN THE FARMERS CONTROL CONGRESS

MAYBE THERE WILL BE SHORT REVERSES, A FEW HUNDRED OF HOLIDAYS AND MORE WORK.

IT MAY BE TRUE THAT THE SCHOLAR IS NEEDED IN POLITICS, BUT JUDGES BY THE LAST SESSION OF CONGRESS THE GENTLEMAN IS MORE URGENTLY IN DEMAND.

OUR TWO WEEKS MORE OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF BURKE IN THIS STATE, AND THIS FACT SHOULD MAKE THE HOLIDAY SEASON ALL THE MERRIER.

THE ROAD QUESTION IS AGITATING THE COUNTRY PRESS OF THE ENTIRE STATE, AND THE SUBJECT WILL UNDoubtedly RECEIVE THAT ATTENTION FROM THE LEGISLATURE WHICH ITS IMPORTANCE DESERVES.

WITH AN ABSOLUTE CONTROL OF THE RAILROADS THROUGH THE PRESIDENT'S AGREEMENT, MR. GOULD WILL BE ABLE TO SQUEEZE QUITE RESPECTABLE PROFITS OUT OF THE PACIFIC MAIL. THE COMPANY WILL BE ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT COMPETITION.

CONGRESSMAN VANDENEN HAS INTRODUCED A BILL IN CONGRESS PLACING MAJOR GEORGE H. BONOBURKE OF LOS ANGELES ON THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS, VICE GOVERNOR-ELECT MARKHAM, RESIGNED. THE SELECTION IS A GOOD ONE.

THE GREAT RAILROAD COMBINATION WILL UNDOUBTLY LEAD TO VERY SOCIED ACTION ON THE PART OF THE GOVERNMENT AGAINST THE RAIDED PACIFIC LINE. WITH THE UNION AND CENTRAL PACIFIC ROADS IN THE POSSESSION OF THE GOVERNMENT, A VERY FAIR TEST OF FEDERAL OWNERSHIP OF THESE HIGHWAYS COULD BE MADE.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF TRADE IS RAPIDLY GROWING AND THE ORGANIZATION WILL SOON BE FREE OF DEBT AND IN POSITION TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE COUNTRY. EVERY MAN INTERESTED IN THE PROSPERITY OF THE COUNTY WHO HAS NOT ALREADY DONE SO SHOULD VISIT SECRETARY COLE AND ENROLL HIMSELF AS A MEMBER. IT IS A GOOD CHANCE IN WHICH EVERY MAN SHOULD ENLIST.

SENATOR WALTER MILLER HAS ASSUMED THE PRESIDENCY OF THE NICARAGUA CANAL COMPANY THAT PROJECT APPEARS TO HAVE SECURED A NEW LEASE OF LIFE. THERE IS EVERY PROSPECT THAT IT WILL BE PUSHED TO A SPEEDY COMPLETION. SEVEN POWERFUL DREDGERS HAVE JUST BEEN ADDED TO THE PLANT, AND OF THE RAILROAD LINE NEED IN THE CONSTRUCTION, WHICH IS TO BE TWELVE MILES LONG, SEVEN HAVE BEEN BUILT, AND THERE ARE REASONS FOR THE HOPE THAT THE CANAL WILL, IN MANY YEARS, BE A CONSUMMATED FACT.

CAN A GOOD THING COME OUT OF MISSOURI? WE ARE INCLINED TO THINK SO SINCE WE HAVE READ THE FOLLOWING: "A NUMBER OF MISSOURI CHURCHES HOLD ROLL CALL SERVICES ONCE A YEAR. THE PASTOR CALLS THE ROLL OF MEMBERS. THOSE PRESENT RESPOND BY SCRIBURAL QUOTATIONS OF BRIEF WORDS OF GREETING. ANY WHO CANNOT ATTEND SEND LETTERS OR MESSAGE WHICH ARE READ. WHEN THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED WITHIN THE YEAR ARE CALLED THERE ARE MEMORIAL VERSES READ." WHY ISN'T THIS A GOOD IDEA, WORTHY OF Imitation?

THIS IS THE WAY IT HURTS, AND THIS IS ONLY ONE OF A HUNDRED COMMENTARIES OF THE SAME SORT, ALL OVER THE COUNTRY: "THE EVIL ONE HIMSELF SEEMS TO HAVE SET UP HIS KINGDOM IN FRESNO. SCARCELY A DAY PASSES THAT DOES NOT BRING THE NEWS OF SOME HORRIBLE OR EXTRAORDINARY CRIME OR FILTHY SCANDAL IN THAT TOWN. FRESNO IS A HANDSOME, PROSPEROUS AND GROWING CITY, AND AMONG ITS INHABITANTS ARE SOME OF THE BEST PEOPLE IN THE STATE, AND WHY IT SHOULD HAVE DEVELOPED SUCH AN ABNORMAL TENDENCY TO CRIME AND ATROSION IS A MYSTERY THAT SEEKS PAST SOLVING."

WHENEVER THE PRIVILEGE OF THE BALLOT HAS BEEN CONFERRED ON WOMEN IT HAS BEEN FOUND A PRACTICAL FAILURE. COMPARATIVELY FEW WOMEN WILL TAKE THE TROUBLE TO REGISTER AND THEIR POLITICAL VIEWS ARE SO NEARLY OF A KIND WITH THOSE HELD BY THEIR HUSBANDS THAT THE FAR BALLOTS CAST BY THEM DO NOT SERIOUSLY AFFECT THE RESULT. IN EVERY INSTANCE WHERE THE EXPERIMENT HAS BEEN TRIED INTEREST IN IT HAS RAPIDLY WANED. WOMAN'S SPHERE IS IN THE HOME. HER HIGHEST PRIVILEGE IS TO EDUCATE THE FUTURE CITIZEN AND PREPARE FOR CITIZENSHIP, AND SHE REALIZES IT.

TAKES AS A WHOLE THE REAL ESTATE MARKET OF THIS SECTION IS IN A MOST ENCOURAGING STATE. NEW COMERS ARE CONSTANTLY COMING IN, WHILE MANY PEOPLE FROM A DISTANCE ARE SENDING MONEY HERE TO BE INVESTED IN VINEYARD AND ORCHARD LANDS, BELIEVING THAT THIS COUNTRY PROMISES A GREATER FUTURE AND SOONER RETURN THAN ANY OTHER. THIRTY-THREE DEEDS WERE RECORDED IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE YESTERDAY, AND ALMOST AN EQUAL NUMBER THE PREVIOUS DAY. THIS IS A SHOWING WORTHY A COUNTY OF FIVE TIMES OUR PRESENT POPULATION.

THE SANTA BARBARA PRESS THINKS THE CORK TREE COULD BE SUCCESSFULLY GROWN IN CALIFORNIA. IT SAY: "HERE IS AN INDUSTRY THAT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOULD TAKE HOLD OF WITH VIGOR. IT HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED THAT THE CORK TREES GROW WILD HERE; SEVERAL HAVE ATTAINED A LARGE SIZE IN SANTA BARBARA. THE CONDITIONS ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE WHICH FAVOR ITS GROWTH IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL. IT CAN BE HARVESTED TO WIRE SENATOR STANFORD A TELEGRAM OF THANKS FOR HIS EFFORTS THERE."

THE RED BLUFF SENTINEL MAN COMBINED A KEEN SENSE OF BUSINESS WITH HIS CULTURAL ENTERPRISE. IN A RECENT EDITION HE SAYS: "THE WAY TO RUN A NEWSPAPER, OR ANY OTHER BUSINESS, SUCCESSFULLY, IS TO KEEP THE DISBURSEMENTS WITHIN THE RECEIPLS. NEVER DO WE ALLOW THE SENTINEL DISBURSEMENTS TO EXCEED THE RECEIPTS MORE THAN TWO MONTHS IN CONSECUTIVE MONTHS. THIS IS BETTER TO ENSURE THAT THE NEWSPAPER WILL BE PROFITABLE."

SAM DAVIS SAYS THAT HONEST MEN ARE NEEDED IN NEVADA POLITICS JUST AT PRESENT. A FEW YEARS AGO THE ACK-BEARER WOULD ONLY GIVE THE PUBLIC WHAT IT WANTED, FOR THAT IS ALL THAT IT WILL PAY FOR. IT MAY BE ENTERPRISING TO TRY THE SPREAD EAGLE OF LATE-HOUR TELEGRAPH SERVICE, EIGHT-PAGE EDITIONS, A LARGE LOT OF HIGH PRICE WRITERS, BUT THE WINNING LINE IS ALWAYS AHEAD AT THE OUTCOME.

THERE IS WHERE THE VICTORY LIES. THE

BY POLITICAL DEMOCRACY.

The race for the speakership of the house of representatives in the fifty-second congress is a very interesting one. Gov. Q. Mills would naturally, on the hypothesis that it would be a free-trade body, as contended by some Democratic papers, have the pole; but he has not. During the last campaign he was sent to Minnesota to make some speeches and in the excitement of the moment he made use of some ideas that now threaten him.

He overestimated the strength of the free traders in the northwest, and in the exuberance of the moment and under the stimulating influence of the economy in the northwestern breezes, he foresaw the production of Bessemer- Robert Bessemer or Clay-Gifford-steel. The annual output of these products has increased from 935,203 tons in 1880 to 3,572,029 tons during the present census year. This is an increase of 290 per cent. The protection idea seems to have prospered the steel men, and yet there has been a steady decline in the price of the product. It will be difficult for the free traders to show that in this case the duty is a tax on the consumer. As a fact in reference to the manufacture of steel, the following figures relative to the manufacture of all sorts of steel in this country are of interest:

	1880.	1884.
Pennsylvania	2,765,333	653,561
Illinois	362,250	594,429
Ohio	182,223	107,836
West Virginia	113,490	30,745
Massachusetts	32,552	9,615
New Jersey	17,569	10,942
Colorado	17,482	—
California	6,904	—
Michigan	5,939	—
New Hampshire	3,700	4,521
Connecticut	1,734	2,016
Indiana	1,350	—
Maryland	1,000	—
Tennessee	399	1,000
Missouri	399	8,408
Vermont	—	3,000
Kentucky	—	350
Totals	4,406,026	1,453,711

It will be observed that Pennsylvania has gained in her production in this respect, due in a measure to the gun and cruiser steel now being made in that state, in which the Bethlehem Company is excelling even the old plants of Europe. Pennsylvania makes over one-half of the steel made in the country, and advanced its percentage of the total production from 57.01 in 1880 to 61.08 in 1890.

A GRAVE QUESTION.

NO ONE WHO HAS INVESTIGATED THE IMMIGRATION IS INCREASING STEADILY. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE OFFICIAL FIGURES FOR THE TEN MONTHS ENDING OCTOBER 31ST OF PRESENT YEAR, WITH A COMPARISON OF THE FOLLOWING STREAM FOR THE SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR:

	1890.	1880.
Austria-Hungary	52,770	32,921
Denmark	9,012	7,675
France	5,458	5,152
Germany	53,230	58,215
England and Wales	49,484	55,817
Scotland	10,223	13,782
Ireland	50,076	57,280
Italy	55,347	24,400
Netherlands	1,060	6,026
Poland	16,106	4,228
Russia (excl. Poland)	18,435	29,295
Sweden and Norway	39,585	39,585
Switzerland	6,516	6,133
All other countries	11,040	10,573
Totals	427,698	378,140

DURING THE LAST WEEK OF NOVEMBER THE LARGEST NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS EVER RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER WERE LANDED AT THE PORT OF NEW YORK. THE TOTAL WAS 9008. THEY WERE CHIEFLY ITALIANS AND HUNGARIANS, AND WERE OF THE VERY POOREST CLASS. IN THE MAIN THERE ARE PEOPLES WHO SHOULD NEVER BE RECEIVED INTO THE COUNTRY.

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PROGRESS IS, HOWEVER, BEING MADE, AND THE STATISTICS THAT ARE BEING GATHERED, THE RESEARCHES THAT ARE BEING MADE AND THE HIGHLIGHTS THAT ARE BEING MADE IN THE PUBLICATION OF THE LAW, ARE DOING MUCH TO HELP THE IMMIGRANTS.

ON THE WHOLE, THIS YEAR'S CROP OF ARRIVALS IS REGARDLESS OF THE IMMIGRANT OFFICIALS AS ANYTHING BUT AN ACQUISITION TO THE POPULATION. THEY HAVE NOT HESITATED TO SAY SO IN PLAIN AND FORCIBLE LANGUAGE IN THEIR REPORTS. THE RESULT IS THAT THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION HAS AGREED UPON A BILL TO REGULATE AND RESTRICT IMMIGRATION.

CHARLES OWEN, IN SPEAKING OF THE BILL, GAVE AN OUTLINE OF ITS GENERAL FEATURES AS FOLLOWS:

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IT IS AN AWFUL OFFENSE, BUT IT ALSO WAS AN AWFUL OFFENSE FOR THE STATE TO SEND A TEEN-YEAR-OLD CHILD TO THE PENITENTIARY FOR LIFE. A CHILD AT TEN IS NOT OLD ENOUGH TO FORM ANY APPROPRIATE CONCEPTION OF THE ENORMITY OF HIS CRIME. BEIDES, IT IS EVIDENT THAT HIS SURROUNDINGS WERE NOT SUCH AS TO DEVELOP HIS MORAL NATURE. IT IS ALSO HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT HE HAS TO A LARGE DEGREE INHERITED HIS MURDEROUS DISPOSITION.

CASES ARE CONSTANTLY ARISING, HOWEVER, THAT PUZZLE THE ABLEST AND MOST EXPERIENCED MANAGERS OF PUBLIC PRISONS. IOWA HAS SUCH A CASE ON HAND, AND IT IS NATURALLY ATTRACTING MUCH ATTENTION.

A SHORT TIME AGO A LITTLE CHILD WAS SENT TO THE IOWA STATE PRISON FOR LIFE. HIS CRIME WAS A MOST ATROCIOSUS ONE. HE AROSE AT THE DEAD OF NIGHT AND KILLED HIS FATHER, WHO HAD CRUELLY MISTREATED HIM, AND HIS STEPMOTHER, WHOM HE LARGELY BLAMED FOR HIS BAD TREATMENT, AND AGAINST WHOM HE HAD A GRUDGE.

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THE VINCENT KILLING.

The Inquest Upon the Remains Held Yesterday.

DEATH FROM GUNSHOT OF WOUNDS.

Vincent's Mother and the Sister of the Deceased Arrive from the North—Vincent Arraigned.

The sad details of the terrible killing of Mrs. Anna Vincent by her husband, Dr. Vincent, as they were detailed at the coroner's inquest on yesterday, add no new mitigating circumstances to carry the crime outside of being the most terrible of the many horrible murders which have taken place in this country.

The inquest was held at the residence at 10 o'clock yesterday, at which the following gentlemen acted as jurors: N. B. Allen, M. L. Williams, J. G. Ramer, Alex. Gordon, H. W. Sanford, F. J. Hahn, D. P. Barnett, J. P. Vincent.

Mrs. Rogers was called and testified substantially what she told a Republic reporter on the preceding afternoon had been called upon by Vincent on the day before and implored him to go over and get Mrs. Vincent to withdraw all divorce proceedings. She did not promise to do so, but on the other hand indicated her willingness to keep out of the family difficulty. Knowing, however, what kind of a man Vincent was she went over to call on Mrs. Vincent and was there when the murderer arrived. She said Mr. Vincent went out into the front room when the latter was called by Vincent. Then he wanted to know if his wife had any good news for him and said that he had concluded that she would have to withdraw that suit, because she would leave him out altogether. She replied that she had no good news for him and would not withdraw the divorce proceedings. Vincent sat at that arose and drew two bottles from his pocket, telling his wife to take one and he would take the other. When she did not straighten up and said, "You'll take this then," and put his revolver. Witness tried to stop him, but was told to sit down. He did not want to get about himself. She probably sat down. All of this happened in a very short time, and Vincent turned and shot at his wife. The shots followed each other in quick order and witness ran outside for help. Later she saw Mrs. Vincent on the lawn dead on the floor.

Mrs. Red testified substantially to the same facts. The shots followed each other as fast as shot could be fired. She screamed and ran into the rear room. She caught Mr. Vincent as she fell, but could not support her. Vincent shot once more. Mrs. Vincent fell to the floor.

Mr. Shild, the first man upon the scene at the shooting, He did not arrive in time to see any of the shooting, but in time to assist in the arrest.

Special Officer Raggards testified that he was only slightly acquainted with Dr. Vincent. He arrived in Fresno a short moment or two after the last shot was fired. He heard the gun and when he with officers came down and said, "It is I." After killing his wife, he ran out of the house and over there. When he arrived the body was lying on the floor of the bedroom and Vincent was standing over it looking at it. Witness immediately placed the murderer under arrest, but did not see any revolver about him. Was somewhat excited or possibly would have examined the room. Vincent was considerably excited, but when he got into the car he was not so excited, but he wanted to know if he might assist his wife. When he got into the car he struggled with the prison officer who started to let him start. Let finally, he got him out of the car and away. Vincent walked out, but seemed to want his wife back again, and once or twice went back and forth.

Constable Johnston testified that he arrived just after the first shot took possession of the house of which Charles Swett had a son, a Smith & Wesson revolver, and a shotgun. Swett did not identify the gun he believed he picked up on the floor, where Vincent had laid or dropped it after it had performed its deadly work.

Dr. Mansfield, who was sworn and testified to being called, He explained the nature of the wounds and described their location. Death, he testified, was the result of the shot.

Mrs. Ragsdale and Mrs. Teter were sworn and testified to running over to the house and finding as best they could toward the wounded woman.

Lily Poole, the sister of the deceased, testified the deceased was born 27 years ago in eastern Oregon and that her name was Anna Poole before her marriage.

One or two other witnesses were heard, after which the jury were given the name upon which they quickly returned a verdict that the deceased came to her death by gunshot wounds inflicted by the hands of her husband, F. O. Vincent.

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The mother of Vincent came down last evening and proceeded at once to the house where his daughter-in-law lay dead. At the gate she was met by the undertaker, who asked her if she was the sister of the deceased. "No," she replied, "I am the mother of the unhappy boy who killed his dear wife."

Miss L. J. Wilson, the sister of the murdered woman, arrived from Colusa county on the midday train. She was met at the depot by some of the family, who will follow her directions as to the care of the body today. The children will probably return with her to her Colusa county home.

KNIGHTS' TEMPORAL.

Installation of Officers to Occur This Evening.

Fresno Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar, will have a gala night this evening. The following officers will be installed: T. M. Miller, eminent commander; E. F. Seelick, generalissimo;

A. C. Williams, captain general; Craigie Sharp, prelate; G. G. Guiton, senior warden; O. J. Woodward, junior warden; H. P. Hedge, treasurer; A. V. Linsey, recorder.

Grand Commander S. H. Wagener and Grand Captain General William Vanderhurst will be present and will conduct the ceremony.

The usual banquet will follow the installation.

WORSE THAN BEFORE.

The Selma District Bond Election Returns in Full.

The completed returns from the bond election for the Selma irrigation district; also the vote of last July on the same proposition. The vote was considerably larger on the second than on the first ballot, but the opposition seemed to gain the most augmented strength:

Ballot Yes No

Sanger 37 40

Menlo Park 60 2

Kingburg 100 75

Selma 42 111

Fowler 48 19

Monrovia 36 36

Wildflower 31 31

Total 602 390

Majority 303

Yes 29

No 31

Total 319

Majority 173

Yes 246

No 173

BLACKTHORN IRISH.

Why They Supported Charles Stuart

Parrott.

FRESNO REPUBLICAN: In Thursday's Expositor appeared an editorial "Irish Riots." Now, Mr. Editor, the good people of Fresno in reading that editorial do not seem to know the "Blackthorn Irish" from the "Cobble or Rock Slinger." I want to enlighten them. It is twenty-eight years since I left Ireland and at that time the "Blackthorn Irish" was the best the green sod produced. Even once in while I see a newspaper from that down trodden land and he tells me there are still Blackthorn men as of yore. I compare a Blackthorn man in Ireland the same as the late General Burnside of Rhode Island compared the "Embellished Yankees"—the most loyal to the American union.

When Parrott sprung forth as an Irish leader under the auspices of Lord Aberdeen, the Irish people, irrespective of creed, flocked to his support, not because his name happened to be Charles Stuart Parrott, but because their cause Stuart Parrott was the cause of their nation.

They support him through thick and thin until they found that he had more pleasure in the lawful charms of Mrs. O'Shea, than he had for the freedom of Ireland. Then the Blackthorn men dropped him as something foul and mean. Hence the riots.

On the 21st of June and July,

ONE OF THE BLACKTHORNS.

THE KUTNER-GOLDSTEIN CO.

Corporation of the Firm With a Capital of \$500,000.

The articles of incorporation of the Kutner Goldstein Commercial Company were filed yesterday at the county clerk's office. The objects of the company are stated to be to carry on a general business in California and in other states of the Union, to deal in lands and stocks and bonds, in mines, mining properties, water rights, patents and patent rights, and, in fact, to do all business which might be done by such a company.

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MAN ABOUT TOWN.

If the man Sullivan is to be pardoned he should be compelled to give bonds not to give any kiling propensities free rein in this country. It is so hard to get a shooting man in jail that when we do get one there we should keep them there.

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Dry goods clerks report that there is an unusual demand for large sizes in stockings this winter. This is probably accounted for by the near approach of Christmas.

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The lawyer who has a murder case in hand these days is hunting around finding substantial reasons for the postponement of hearings and examinations. Murders are a trifling number for the number of lawyers who are awaiting trial.

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OBROED TO DEATH.

A Mongolian Meets With a Singular Death Near Madera.

While yet engaged with the inquest over the remains of Mrs. Vincent, Conner Freeman received notification of a dead Mongolian having been found at the Adcox ranch, about ten miles from Madera. He started immediately for the scene and there made a junction with Gustav Elsner, the recent book on raisin culture. Some interesting figures are given.

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FIFTY BRIGHT CHILDREN.

Will Appear on Stage of Barton Opera House This Afternoon.

"Little Red Riding Hood" will be pre-

sented at the Barton opera house this afternoon at 2 o'clock by the children of the Fresno kindergarten. About fifty

children will take part. They will

act as fairy queens, hunters, etc.

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Now let the Indians be disarmed.

The spring election is being talked of.

A Merry Christmas to all of our readers.

In this era of happiness let not the poor be forgotten.

PARNELL has been defeated in Ireland. Will he now know the inevitable?

The REPUBLICAN extends the compliment of the season to all its friends and patrons.

Mos-trails now arrive at and depart from the Fresno depot, than either Tulare or Bakersfield.

Spain is awakening to the throb of progress. It has determined to adopt the protective policy.

The Democrats imagine they have a chance of yet setting themselves into office in on, etc. ut.

So far as Fresno county is concerned there will be no county division. At least, not to the present.

There is one danger that California should guard against; it is the introduction of diseased vines and trees.

The senate has determined to do some business this session and will limit debate. The Democrats will howl, but the country will applaud.

FRESNO county will have large shipments of oil to report a year hence. This industry will be rapidly developed during the coming year.

GOULD has consolidated his twelve local roads in Kansas, and the result is the Kansas, Colorado & Pacific is on the list of railroad corporations.

GOVERNOR-ELECT MARKHAM evidently does not intend to give Governor Waterman much show. He is already announcing his appointments.

Fresno coal is beginning to attract considerable attention abroad. It is coming into serious competition with the New Mexico product in the south.

The associated press furnishing no afternoon report and the day being a holiday generally, our contemporary, the Express, will not issue to-day.

KIRK has found his wind and is now wagging his jaw. He says he is coming west to whip Gouffey, but his dangerous signal out for Corbett. Money to marbles Corbett has best him in ten rounds.

"PEACE on earth, good will to men," is the new gospel that was first promulgated nearly 1900 years ago, from the stable in Nazareth of Judea. The Star of Bethlehem has led the world in a new path—of progress, enlightenment and hope.

THERE is no sentiment about English justice. A woman who took the life of the wife and child of her paramour was hanged yesterday, and the world will be better off for her vindication.

The corner-stone of the Preston school of industry was laid at lone yesterday. This was, in all probability, the closing act of Governor Waterman's career, outside of pardons and the acts incident to his stepping out.

The appointment of George A. Knight as judge advocate general on the staff of Governor Markham will meet with general commendation. It is likely, however, that Mr. Knight will look for a more substantial reward for his services in the campaign.

The reported discovery of gold at Coarse Gold, in what is said to be paying quantities, is worthy of investigation. The report comes very straight and from reliable sources, and the indications are that there will be a mining boom in that section of the county.

The high school building is needed and there should no doubt in voting the bonds, needed to erect it. No city in the state has better schools, more thoroughly and systematically conducted, and the high school building only is needed to perfect the system.

Twenty releases of mortgages were filed yesterday, as against ten mortgagors recorded. This shows a stable condition of the general business of Fresno county. As a rule, for the past two months the releases of mortgages have been much larger number than the mortgages themselves.

VINYLARISTS, farmers, gardeners, miners, stockmen—all persons who have facts that would prove sufficient interest to print in the New Year's edition of The REPUBLICAN are most earnestly requested to send in such facts to this office at once. Let every one interested in the welfare of the county make a note of this.

RENO, Nevada, is inclined to be proud because a bed of marble has been discovered near there. Why, there is marble enough in Fresno county to supply the whole Pacific coast. Up to the present time it has been inaccessible, but railroads are going towards the mountains and will be many years reach there rich deposits.

WORK reached here from Madera last evening that a rich strike of gold had been made along the northern boundary of Fresno county, the information being that it was in the neighborhood of Coarse Gold. Investors, prospectors and others were going forward rapidly to try their fortune. The new find is said to average \$100 per ton.

The school board will ask the people to grant them \$50,000 for the establishment of a high school. We have no doubt that the board of trustees will gladly submit the question to the people and there is little doubt as to what the result will be. There are now 120 pupils in the high school and the accommodations are far from what they should be. Indeed, the rooms now occupied are a mere temporary make-shift, badly needed for the elementary classes. The high school is the top shelf of the public school system, and the people will not begrudge any money, but even \$100,000, for this purpose.

OUR NEW YEAR'S EDITION.

The New Year's edition of THE REPUBLICAN will be a splendid reflex of the growth and industries of this section of the United States. One of the leading features will be a superb birdseye view or map of the city of Fresno, taking in a number of the neighboring vineyards. The view will be 24x28 inches in size and will be printed in four colors. Nothing approaching it in completeness, accuracy or expense has ever been attempted here before.

The view will probably be the best advertisement of Fresno that has ever been made or could possibly be made. The charms and beauties of this lovely city are shown in detail, and the general effect, taken with the view of vineyards, is charming.

A border has been reserved around the bird's-eye view in which prominent business and private houses will be shown to the number of about twenty.

In addition to this superb work of art there will be superior literary and descriptive features, stories, poems, etc., of the highest order, and carefully written articles showing the present commercial, industrial and social conditions of central California.

THIS Chronicle, always a friend of the industries of California, for the first time in the history of the state takes the trouble to take into consideration all the sources of information relative to the raisin product of the state, and says: "For the first time since the production of raisins became an important industry in California, accurate figures are attainable of the amounts actually shipped out of this state. There are two lines which carry this fruit to the eastern market, the Southern Pacific and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe. The Chronicle has obtained from these companies statements of the amounts carried by each during the year, and the grand total is 40,133,600 pounds, or a little over 2,000,000 boxes. A very small portion of this immense total was carried over from 1889, but the amount of this year's crop carried over to 1891 will fully counterbalance this, so that the crop of 1890 is seen to have been over 2,000,000 boxes. That is what the Chronicle has maintained from the start, and now its judgment is vindicated. There is no resisting the logic of those figures. Their accuracy cannot be denied, and, as usual, the estimates made early in the season are borne out by the shipping returns. From 75,000 boxes in 1880 to 2,000,000 boxes in 1890 marks a glorious step in the progress of California."

CITY MARSHAL BARKER yesterday arrested the proprietors of a drinking resort who had imported professional women to perform in their place. The ordinance provides that all such places shall pay a license of \$50 a night. This the opera garden has been evading. It is understood that the defense will attack the validity of the ordinance or resort to habeas corpus proceedings so as to transfer the case to the Superior court and thus gain time. The variety theatre has been tried in Fresno, and nearly bankrupted it. The present license was put on it in pursuance of public demands. If this were to be denied, it will undoubtedly be closely watched and so far as may be its civil influence over.

THE oleomargarine case, which was decided by Judge Reed, of Philadelphia, only a few days ago, is of more than ordinary importance. It takes the ground that individual states cannot restrict commerce on an article manufactured in another state when the general government has declared such an article a merchantable commodity and regulated its sale, as is the case with oleomargarine. This decision will undoubtedly be appealed from and the final decision will be awaited with interest. It represents the most advanced idea of the powers of congress over inter-state commerce.

IT is always to be regretted when men are forced to take the law into their own hands, but there are times when the act is more or less excusable. The hanging of tramps by trampmen on the Oregon Short Line is one of these exceptions.

Train bands have suffered terribly at the hands of the knights of the road. In this instance tramps had assaulted a brakeman and thrown him under the train, where he was horribly mangled. His companions awoke in their might, caught three of the guilty ones and lynched them. The act was committed in Idaho, where it will be commended, denied, and, as usual, the estimates made early in the season are borne out by the shipping returns. From 75,000 boxes in 1880 to 2,000,000 boxes in 1890 marks a glorious step in the progress of California."

SENATOR CHANDLER is said to have an idea that the Boston and Maine railroad people have in contemplation a gigantic railroad consolidation, with the view of controlling New England politics in the interest of the Democratic party. A note of warning has been sounded in the Concord (N. H.) Monitor, and the scheme will undoubtedly be closely watched and so far as may be its civil influence over.

THE Germans have again jumped on the American hog. It was dead hog, of course, and in the shape of bacon and was valued at 60,000 marks. The only importance attached to this seizure lies in the fact that it shows Mr. Blaine has not yet been able to bring the German government to his way of thinking on this subject. The course will injure Germany more than it will the American hog raisers.

THE crusade against the Sunday opening of the world's fair does not have very large following. These crusades are conducted by cranks and a few sharp fellows, who organize them into societies and make money out of them. The world's fair will be open on Sunday, beyond a doubt, and a million of good people, who otherwise would never get there, will thereby be enabled to see its wonders.

FRANCY DOUGLAS will have to serve the state for eight years in the penitentiary, for shooting a brakeman on the Southern Pacific road. Douglas is a bad man, who has been much dreading throughout the county. His crime was an atrocious and inexcusable one and he will deserve the punishment that has been meted out to him.

NEWFOUNDLAND is in a state of mind over being ignored by the mother country in the settlement of the difficulties with France. The colony threatens revolution and annexation to the United States. The annexation feeling has been growing rapidly of late. Some special cause for grievance alone is needed to precipitate trouble.

THE REPUBLICAN will appear as usual tomorrow. While the rest of the world is enjoying Christmas, the newspaper men will be hard at work, catering to the news demands of their readers, but they will catch as much of the spirit of the season as anyone and extend the compliments of the season to all their friends.

THE Irish party is now hopelessly divided and Home Rule appears to be doomed for many years to come. The two factions cannot come together on a common basis and the fight between them will go on in spite of the cause of freedom.

THE Insurance Union has published to the country the amount of fire losses on the Pacific coast during the year. Now, will they kindly show us how much the premiums aggregated? Such figures would be of value to the legislature.

CLEVELAND and his followers are opposed to the tariff on raisins, prunes, wheat and all the products of the farm. They will never be very strong on the Pacific coast.

THOSE who looked upon the seductive egg-nog too frequently are to-day paying the penalty for their excesses. Blue pills are quite fashionable these days of feasting.

DISCOURSE, the champion skater of America, is now champion of the world, having broken the record. America is holding most of the pinnacles in sports now.

WOMEN on the world's fair will now be pushed vigorously. It behooves California to cease talk and begin work.

It was a pleasant and generally a happy Christmas.

THE President has given the country a surprise in the appointment of a successor to the late Samuel F. Miller as associate Justice of the supreme court of the United States. He has gone outside of all the men mentioned for the place an taken a man whose name had not been mentioned in connection with the position. He has appointed Henry B. Brown, United States district judge of the Northern District, and the nomination

for the new year is to be submitted to the Senate.

THE CAUSE OF IRRIGATION.

The recent decisions of the supreme court of California on the subject of water for irrigation, and all questions allied thereto, have been in favor of the system of irrigation. The recent decision in the case of Henry J. Crall, a landowner in the Pomo irrigation district, in Kern county, should give irrigation district bonds quite a boom.

Conspicuous objections to the Japanese and Spanish chestnuts are their coarse flesh and astrigent skin, properties which render them somewhat unpalatable when eaten raw. The skin of the paragon is about the same as that of the American chestnut, while the flesh is about as sweet and tender as that of our largest varieties. The fact is very apparent, therefore, that if the tree should prove as hardy and productive as American kinds, the paragon is destined to revolutionize chestnut culture, since it has the advantage of size, while the tree comes into bearing while very young.

The drawing from a photograph shown in the cut is that of a paragon tree noted in the spring of 1888. It blossomed last year, but the blossoms were purposely destroyed, as it was believed that the flowers were not needed for building needed irrigation works. The height will be guessed at approximately when it is said that the tree beside it is a fraction over 5 feet 9 inches tall. The tree illustrated bore eight blossoms the past season, two of which were cut off, as it was feared the top could not sustain the weight of all to maturity. The side is exposed after the first light frost, with the mass of American chestnuts in the woods. The blossoms averaged 4 inches in diameter and each contained two clear, round, one-half inch chestnuts.

The question whether the paragon is of American or so-called Spanish or Japanese origin is open one. We have seedlings of the Japanese and the foliage and flowers resemble the seed of the paragon, while the chestnuts are quite marked.

The proposition is to take the Western Part of Tulare and

the Eastern Part of Fresno.

In about one-third of the counties in the southern part of the state the question of county division is being agitated.

Fresno is not to be behind any of her southern neighbors in in having a sort of county division craze herself. In one matter Fresno county is ahead of all others, the proposed county division is by no means a new question, having been agitated at least once, and possibly oftener.

The promoters of the division scheme are all of them, or nearly all, from Tulare county, and the scheme is to take the western half of Fresno and Tulare counties and add another to be known as Kings county. The Frankfort follows want everything in sight, and propose that their city shall be the new county seat.

The petition, which will go before the legislature, has been quite numerously signed by the residents of Hanford and Lemoore, and on Monday it wandered over into the town of Huron, in Fresno county, where it was not received with an excessive amount of favor. Even when it was promised that Ed Vogel, Huron's favorite citizen, should be elected sheriff, the petition found little favor.

The queen is the mother of the entire colony, and her duty appears to be the laying of eggs, of which she sometimes deposits as many as 2,000 in twenty-four hours.

Different queens vary much in color, some being considerably darker than others.

Queens possess a sting, but rarely use it except in conflict with a rival queen.

Queen bees have been quite numerous

for five years; their average age, however, is about three years.

Queens of great excellence and vigor may go good all this time; often, however, they cease to be fertile at the end of one and two years. In such cases the workers usually rear a new queen before all the worker eggs are gone, and then destroy the old one.

The old idea that the queen governs the colony and directs all its operations is an exploded one. She is an important part of the hive, and is regarded with favor so long as she is fulfilling her special province, but let her become useless and she is despised with no more hesitation than are the drones when they become useless members.

CHANCE OF TIME.

Slight Changes on the Main Line.

The Fresno Division.

At 5 o'clock this morning a new time card went into effect on the Southern Pacific railroad. On the main line there is no change in the passenger trains, save that No. 18, north-bound, will leave here at 2:30 A. M. instead of 7:00 A. M., and No. 19, south-bound, will hereafter leave at 12:35 instead of 12:30 A. M.

There is no change in the day passenger trains.

Local freight trains Nos. 25 and 27, south-bound, will hereafter run only to Fresno, and local freight trains Nos. 24 and 25 will start from Fresno hereafter, instead of Bakersfield as heretofore.

The following is the time card for the Fresno division:

STATION	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME
Passenger and Freight				
PIKE	7:00	7:10	7:20	7:30
PIKE	7:10	7:20	7:30	7:40
PIKE	7:20	7:30	7:40	7:50
PIKE	7:30	7:40	7:50	8:00
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DOINGS IN SOCIETY.

A Busy Week Among Fashionable People.

SEVERAL ENJOYABLE PARTIES.

The Review Indicates That Society is Waking Up for a Lively Winter Season.

The week which has just ended was quite a lively one, party succeeding party and there being a number of quiet, though enjoyable, gatherings in the city and vicinity. The movements among society people and their doings will be found recorded below.

There was a very pleasant gathering at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. White, corner Stanislaus and M streets, on Tuesday evening, the occasion being the tenth anniversary of the marriage of the host and hostess. Though entirely informal, it was one of the most enjoyable of the season. Progressive hearts were played and the prides, an artistically made book in the shape of a heart for the best player, and the booby, consisting of a large candy heart, on top of which sat a figure of Cupid, were awarded. During the presentation Dr. Gardner made a speech on the subject of hearts and concluded with Mr. and Mrs. White in behalf of those assembled on the happiness of their union. Following the speech, Mrs. T. Griffin, Mrs. T. J. Kirk, Mrs. Maude Henry played solos and Miss Mamie Ankney also rendered a solo. At a late hour an elegant supper was served, which was highly enjoyed. Those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. G. Berry, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. C. Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Perrin, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dixon, Miss Mary Berry, Miss Esther Clifford, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tupper, Judge and Mrs. K. H. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Eggers, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Tyree, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Presley, Messrs. C. W. Callahan and H. Z. Austin. A very excellent program was presented, consisting of the following numbers:

Misses: "Cajun Autumn"; "Rossia"; Mrs. Nedjar and Mrs. Hobbs; "Matted Solo"; "Dear Heart"; "Matted Solo"; "Lilac"; "Chopin Solo"; "Rocked in the Deep"; "Knight Solo"; "More Young"; "Boeler Solo"; "Mary Berry"; "Hazel Hall Solo"; "Patriot Ballad"; "Red Rose of Erin"; "Glorious Land"; "Campus Solo"; "Mrs. W. More Young"; "Wellies Solo"; "Perplexity"; "Abit Solo"; "Mrs. W. More Young"; "Mrs. Howell and Mr. Gestalt".

A dainty lunch was served during the evening. All in all, the party was a most delightful one, and the guests left the pleasant parlors reluctantly.

On Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. B. White, assisted by their daughter, Miss Isabel, entertained a number of friends at their rooms over the Financial bank. It was a general meeting of a progressive study party. There were two tables of players and the game was not run until 11 o'clock. A short program of musical exercises followed. The prizes for the successful players in the game of roulette were then distributed. The first prize, a black silk muffler, hand-painted, was won by L. T. Corwin, the second prize was awarded to Miss Alice Smith, and consisted of a hand-painted satin table drape. For the last time, L. L. Gray received a book of love poems, and Miss Maude Hopkins a beautiful hand-painted blouse.

Freshments were served. Among these were Professor and Mrs. Hendon and the latter's sister Miss Robbins, Captain and Mrs. H. D. Colton, and the former's sister, Miss Dora Colson, Misses Jessie Williams, Maude Hopkins, Lillian Smith, Lizzie Bernhard, Lizzie Smith, Helen Harvey, Messrs. L. L. Gray, W. C. Colson, L. T. Corwin, William Harvey, Harry Cory.

On Monday, the 25th inst., "Talia," a beautiful operetta, will be presented at the Barton opera-house by home talent. The principal character, Leda, is taken by Miss Agnes, and the title rôle by "Fairy Queen" by Miss Mary Higgins. There are also roles by Misses Kitty Campbell, Mary Mott and little Missy Lyle. Misses Caldwell and Mott have exceptionally sweet voices. The chorus, including upwards of fifty children, will be led by Mrs. More Young, Mrs. Drury and Mrs. Rhodes. Mr. Drury will be musical director. An appropriate orchestra will be furnished, including Mrs. Souther, the accomplished pianist. The operetta was brought here, and is under the management of Mrs. W. D. Coates. The dancing, which will be a feature of the evening, is the result of the training of Miss D. L. Beckwith.

The progressive euchre party given on Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Weaver, at the hall of the Native Sons, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Griffin and Miss Celia Kaufman, was a very happy occasion. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. White, Will G. Guard, S. J. Ashland, C. H. Hegla, Frank Helm, Will Weaver, Will Sammons, John Gilbert, Clarence Fain, Major Callahan, T. W. Patterson, Leo Gray, W. C. Calvin, Walter Weaver, Harry Upton, George Rooding, DeWitt Gray.

The Misses Maude Berry, Jessie Trowbridge, Celia Kaufman, Little Bernhard, Mamie Ankney, Lizzie Bernhard, Priscilla Ferguson, Anna Ferguson, Fannie Helm, Mary Helm, George Berlin, Rose Kuhl, Emma Weaver, Nancie Weaver, Mrs. Ann, Mrs. Payson and Mrs. McLeod. The prizes were awarded as follows: First prize, T. W. Patterson, plated glass on easel; second prize, Miss Lizzie Bernhard, holder of writing paper; first booby prize, Miss Mary Helm, neck of cards second booby prize, Harry Upton, Jack-in-the-box.

The bowling party given by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Eggers on Tuesday evening was as enjoyable as was possible. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Reel H. Terry, Miss Emma Foy, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Presley and Mrs. M. W. Muller, and Mrs. L. L. Dixon, Messrs. C. W. Callahan, Fred Dexter

and Mr. Baker. During the progress of the bowling a fine musical program was rendered, which was followed by a vocal program and refreshments.

On December 8 Thomas W. Chapman quietly went to the residence of Rev. Mr. Hawkins, accompanied by his now charming bride, Miss Mary E. Foy, and they were quietly united in wedlock. The fact leaked out only during the past week, and the happy couple has been kept busy receiving the congratulations of friends.

Society will be exceedingly lively after the holidays.

Miss Annie Ferguson is visiting in San Francisco.

E. F. Ostman has been spending a week in Sacramento.

Mr. Austin of Los Angeles is visiting friends in Fresno.

The firemen's ball on New Year's eve will be highly attended.

A. T. Locan and wife came down from San Francisco yesterday.

Sam Ralston has gone to Independence, Mo., on a visit to relatives.

Philip Duffy and family of Nevada are spending the winter in Fresno.

Misses Lizzie Fain and Laura Duquenne visited Blandford during the week.

The question now agitating the boys is: "Who will receive on New Year's day?"

General R. V. Ankeny of Des Moines is visiting his daughter, Miss Minnie Ankeny.

Mrs. Jesse F. Church has returned home after a four months' visit to Boston, Mass.

Miss May Luse, a society lady of Oregon, is on a visit to Miss Eva Turner.

Miss Hattie Borchardt of San Francisco is visiting her brother, Paul Borchardt.

The Abbott engagement of the Barton opera-house on Friday evening will be a society event.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Perrin have returned to San Francisco, after a brief visit to Fresno.

Mrs. L. A. Perkins of Fort Worth, Tex., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rogers on C street.

Mrs. Warren Williams and daughter, Mrs. J. Roberts of Portland, Ore., are Mrs. Mrs. E. R. Higgins.

Colonel and Mrs. Forsyth have rooms at the Imperial, in New York, but are traveling extensively throughout the east.

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THE RAILROAD AGAIN.

It Has Not Been Abandoned
by Any Means.

TERMINAL FRANCHISE GRANTED.

The Company Has Won Great Con-
cessions in Its Efforts to Get
into San Francisco.

There are people in Fresno who are
of the opinion that the great railroad
combination has put an end to all efforts
of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe rail-
road to build into San Francisco through
this valley. This will be interested in
the railroad news that comes from San
Francisco, all of which shows that the
Santa Fe has by no means abandoned
its efforts in this direction.

The Chronicle of the 24th has the fol-
lowing on this subject:

"The Board of Supervisors has done
one good job for California at last. It
has given the Santa Fe road the opening
for which it has been fighting so long,
and now that the entering wedge is
driven there is a strong probability that
the Southern Pacific will at last have a
competitor. It passed last night over
the mayor's veto an ordinance granting
to J. W. Harzill, Behrend Koest, W.
F. Thomas, their successors or assigns,
to construct, maintain, lay down and
operate for a term of fifty years a double-
track street railroad with all the neces-
sary side tracks, switches, turnouts and
turn-tables, upon certain streets and ave-
nues in the city and county. The con-
cession contains strict railroads and
the Santa Fe's plan is readily established
by an order passed by the supervisors of
San Mateo county, which has already
become a law. The San Mateo order
was finally passed on October 1st. The
franchise in this city calls for an invest-
ment of \$60,000 for the first year. The
rights extend over a period of fifty years
here and forty more years in San Mateo.
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ary engines."

"It is to be expected that the gen-
lemen who have been interested in ob-
taining the franchises, will admit that
the eastern backers of the project are
connected with the Santa Fe, but the
orders tell their own story. If further
corroborative evidence were wanted it
might be furnished in the fact that gen-
lemen connected with the Santa Fe
have recently been making extensive
and purchases about the line of the
new road."

"Colonel J. W. Harzill in an interview
on the subject, says: 'To the best of my
knowledge, the city of the Santa Fe
is concerned, you people know that
they have a contract with the South-
ern Pacific that keeps them out for a
year or more. However, I might say
that there is nothing to keep some other
corporation from joining on to our road
to the Santa Fe people.'

"Now, then, to get down into actual
details. We first of all are going to
build a broad-gauge road, which for
the present will be operated by electricity.
The company will be organized directly
after the holidays. The directors will be
several very wealthy men of this city
and a number of foreign residents.
The capital will be \$2,000,000. The
length of our road will be twelve miles
of double track, twenty-four miles
of single track, with switchings and
sidings and the necessary turnouts. We
shall use only the most approved mate-
rial in the construction of the roadbed.
The bed will be of basalt and the rails
eighty-pound steel rails. We do not pro-
pose to spend money or expense in mak-
ing this one of the finely equipped roads
in the country. As our profile will show
you, we will have no elevation over 12
per cent. This enables us to operate the
road for the present by electric power and
to give quick and comfortable trans-
port. The roads will be lighted by the
same electric current that runs in
an underground current. They will be
furnished like Pullman cars. Our material will be purchased at
an outlay of \$1,500,000."

"We parallel the Southern Pacific
west and east and cross it once. We
go through Baden station into the tract
of land owned by the eastern syndicate
that bought it not long since, investing
over a million dollars in the plant and
land for beef-packing purposes. We
terminate at the junction of the San
Mateo and San Jose wagon roads. The
gentlemen who compose that cattle
syndicate are directors in the Santa Fe
road and largely interested in its devel-
opment."

"In case the Santa Fe should join on
to our road and effect an entrance into
this state, how would it do so?" was
asked of Colonel Harzill.

"That proposition is plain enough
when they want to solve it. They would
simply have to build from Mojave, the
present terminus, to San Jose and join
on a few miles below."

"When will you begin work?"
"We will probably begin by the 1st of
February, and on one thing we are fully
determined, that is to use only California
labor and California material. I feel
very sure that our franchise has
been granted, and I think that the pub-
lic knows enough of Messrs. Koest and
Thomas to understand that they would
not go into this master unless they saw
a successful issue in it. For myself I
can safely say that I regard it as the
biggest thing for California that has
occurred since the Southern Pacific
was finished. I cannot say anything about
the Santa Fe. You know how our capi-
tal is about being talked over, but you
can rest assured that if our scheme pre-
sents advantages to that road it will not
be backward about taking it up."

THE BAND CONCERT.

An Enjoyable One Given at B. T.
Scott & Baird Bros.' Market.

Christmas music was the nature of
the numbers in the concert, which last
evening attracted a large crowd to the
corner of J and Fresno streets. The
concert was tendered to the public by
B. T. Scott & Baird Bros., in front of
whose magnificent market stores it was
given, under the leadership of Professor Smith.
The concert solo by the leader was par-
ticularly good, as was also the trombone
solo by C. W. Gandy. The entire con-
cert was enjoyed by an immense com-
pany, who greatly admired the plan of
the combined market and stores, which are
undoubtedly the finest on the Pacific
coast.

The special quality of Ayer's Hair
Vigor is that it restores the natural
growth, color and texture of the hair. It
restores the roots and follicles, removes
dandruff, and heals itching bursa in
the scalp. In this respect, it surpasses
all similar preparations.

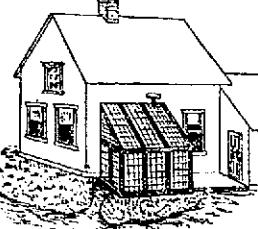
The advance sale assures a brilliant

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

TOPICS OF PRACTICAL INTEREST TO
AMERICAN HORTICULTURISTS.

An Illustrated Description of a Cheap and
Convenient Conservatory with a List of
Plants It May Contain with Pleasure
and Profit to the Owner.

A New York correspondent, writing to
Country Gentleman, gave the following
interesting account of his plant house:



AN INEXPENSIVE CONSERVATORY.

As may be seen in the sketch, there is
a veranda along one side of my house, a
door opening on it from the main part as
well as from the rear, as shown. Over
the first door I decided to build my plant
house. The floor of the porch was wide
enough sufficiently by means of planks, and
the conservatory made about 6 feet wide
and 9 feet long (the sash being 3 by 6
feet), the roof slab, however, being 3 feet
long.

In the corners above the end sashes I
put common bars and used ordinary
window glass. The room from which
the door opened contained a large stove,
and on this I depended for warmth, but
to be secure against severe weather, I
placed a small stove in the corner, from
which the stovepipes rise. With these
provisions for heat our plants did well
all winter, while we prepared a num-
ber of geraniums, chrysanthemums and
other plants.

The sash was securely nailed together
with small wire nails, and the cracks
covered with tree-rope paper and lath.
At the farther end provision was made
for ventilating by leaving a space in the
glass, in which a board was fitted and
hung on hinges. No opening into this
glass house was left on the outside, the
only entrance being through the insides.

As shown by the ground plan, but lit-
tle room was left for walking about, but
it was sufficient. Above the benches
showed another shelf was placed about
each of the two sides, and at the front
and end were two shelves. On the shelf
against the house were set three Marshal-
Rites roses which grew and were trained
by means of wires and strings along the
side of the house and below the glass
house. These grew very well and flowered
at intervals during the winter.

DOOR

Folding Plant-
Bed

WALK

Calico

Plans

Box for
Seedlings

GROUND PLAN OF CONSERVATORY.

Geraniums, Fuchsias, ivy geraniums,
callas, colous, trachelos, hydrangeas,
carunculus, monthly roses, date palms
from seed, heliotrope, and other kinds
of plants were grown, and which yield-
ed more flowers all through the winter.

Although very satisfactory for the
plants, it may perhaps be said that
what else leaves a delicate margin for
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